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Our File No. 1322/58

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Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application  
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1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages);
2. Form PTO/SB/08A in duplicate; RECEIVED
3. Copy of five (5) cited references; NOV 07 2003
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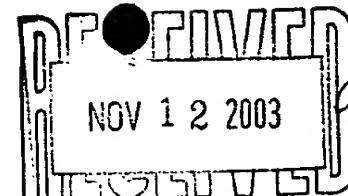
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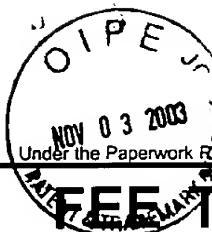
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Total Claims	-20** =	X	Fee from below	Fee Paid
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1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification			
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination			
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action			
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1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month			
1252 410	2252 205	Extension for reply within second month			
1253 930	2253 465	Extension for reply within third month			
1254 1,450	2254 725	Extension for reply within fourth month			
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1401 320	2401 160	Notice of Appeal			
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1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
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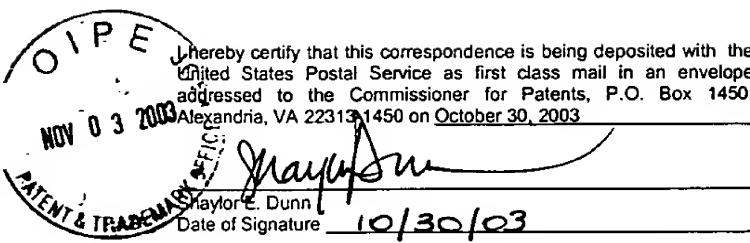
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**PATENT**

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In re Application of: Tinsley et al.

Group Art Unit: 2665

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, applicants' undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the documents listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A. Copies of the references as well as Form PTO/SB/08A are attached hereto. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

This information is being submitted subsequent to the later of three months after the filing date of the present application or the mailing of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing of a Final Action or the Notice of Allowance. Accordingly:

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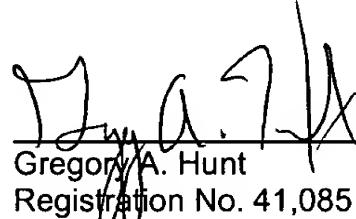
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